



AP/BB/WW

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:) J&J Reference: DEP5038USNP
Keeven et al.) MMB Docket No. 1671-0281
Application No. 10/748,449) Examiner: Annette R. Reimers
Filed: December 30, 2003) Group Art Unit: 3733
Title: Augments for Surgical Instruments)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the
United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail
in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box
1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on June 20, 2006
(Date of Deposit)

Paul J. Maginot

Name of person mailing Document or Fee

/Paul J. Maginot/

Signature of person mailing Document or Fee

June 20, 2006

Date of Signature

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from
the decision set forth in the Official Action mailed March 20, 2006 in which the
Examiner finally rejected claims 17-32.

06/23/2006 AKELECHI 000000002 10748449

500.00 0P
01 FC:1401

Commissioner for Patents

June 20, 2006

Page 2 of 2

A check for \$500.00 is enclosed for the filing fee of a Notice of Appeal as required by 37 CFR § 41.20(b)(1). Also, please provide any extension of time which may be necessary and charge any fees which may be due to Deposit Account No. 13-0014, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

Respectfully submitted,

MAGINOT, MOORE & BECK LLP

/Paul J. Maginot/

Paul J. Maginot
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 34,984

June 20, 2006

Maginot, Moore & Beck LLP

Chase Tower

111 Monument Circle, Suite 3250

Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-5109

(317) 638-2922 telephone

(317) 638-2139 facsimile